

I'm writing in opposition to the National Association of Broadcasters attempt to block XM Satellite Radio from providing local traffic channels and other services. I am an XM subscriber and have binnifited from the traffic channels althought Nashville TN doesn't have one yet. Last Saturday May 22nd my brother was coming in from seattle. He had a lay over in Chicago. I turned on Chicago's traffic and weather channel and heard in the traffic report that planes were late arriving because of the storms. I wasn't the one that went to meet him at Nashville International Airport. The ones who did meet him didn't have this information. The airport said that the plane was on time but it was 45 minutes late. That was how late the arival times were at Chicago so they were late getting here. With XM's traffic and weather channels people can turn on the traffic channel from the city that their loved one is coming from and get some idea as to when they may be arriving. Local radio can't provide this service. More and more of the local content is being taken out of local radio everyday but you don't see the NAB yelling about that. I gladly pay for the XM service. I get a lot from what little money I have to spend from more music choices to an actual choice in talk radio.